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2006 SHIAWASSEE RIVER STATE GAME AREA DEER HUNT INFORMATION (989) 865-6211

The Shiawassee River State Game Area (SRSGA) and the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge (SNWR) deer hunts will be handled separately. For information on the SNWR hunts please contact the refuge at 6975 Mower Road, Saginaw, MI 48601, (989) 777-5930. You may apply for both state and federal pre-registered hunts.

PRE-REGISTERED DRAWINGS

Applicants will apply by submitting cards to the St. Charles DNR Field Office. There is no fee to apply. Cards must be postmarked by **SEPTEMBER 10, 2006**. Cards postmarked after the deadline or filled out incorrectly will not be entered in the drawing. You do not need return postage on the card; this card will not be returned to you.

PLEASE NOTE that the application deadline for the next year (2007) will be moved up to August 1, 2007.

Instructions for Preregistered Hunt Applications

- Applicants may apply once and may choose only ONE (1) hunt. Hunt choice code numbers for State hunts are listed below.
- 2. Hunters must mail a 4" x 6" card (not a piece of paper) to **DNR Field Office**, **225 E. Spruce St.**, **St. Charles**, **MI 48655-1309** with following information on one side of the card:

Name

Address - City - State - Zip

Date of Birth and Phone Number

Driver's License Number, Sportcard Number, or Hunter Safety Number

Hunt Choice Code Number

If applying as partners you must mail cards together in one envelope (see #3 below).

- 3. Hunters may apply with one "partner" (maximum of two people in one party) in which case they will both receive a permit or neither will receive a permit. "Partners" must apply for the same hunt choice code number. For hunters who wish to apply as partners, <u>each hunter</u> must fill out a card and the cards must be mailed together in one envelope.
- Hunters who are successful for antierless permits will be notified with instructions on how to purchase a
 Deer
 Management Unit 173 Public Land Antierless Deer license using the Retail Licensing system.
- 5. Only successful applicants will be notified. They will be notified by October 14, 2006.

STATE PRE-REGISTERED HUNTS						
SHIAWASSEE RIVER STATE GAME AREA						
HUNT CHO	ICE DATES	TYPE	HUNT	NUMBER	2005	HARVEST
CODE NUME	BER		AREA	HUNTERS	APPLICANT	S PERMITS**
101	Oct. 23 – Oct. 29	Archery	1	150	118	State Regulations
102	Oct. 30 - Nov. 06	Archery	1	150	242	State Regulations
103	Nov. 07 - Nov. 14	Archery	1	150	189	State Regulations
104	Nov. 15 - Nov. 19	Shotgun	2	100	324	State Regulations
105	Nov. 20 - Nov. 24	Shotgun	2	100	267	State Regs. & 15% Bonus***
106	Nov. 25 - Nov. 30	Shotgun	2	100	200	State Regs. & 15% Bonus***
107	Dec. 01 - Dec. 05	Muzzleloader	2	100	197	State Regs. & 100% Bonus***
108	Dec. 06 - Dec. 11	Muzzleloader	1	100	197	State Regs. & 100% Bonus***
109	Dec. 12 – Dec. 17	Muzzleloader	1	100	345	State Regs. & 100% Bonus***

Hunt Areas: Area <u>1</u> – Entire area, except state wildlife refuge. Area <u>2</u> – "A" Areas, **Antlerless allotments are subject to change. *** Bonus = antlerless permits will be awarded to successful applicants at the rates shown.

SEPTEMBER YOUTH FIREARM DEER HUNT

30 permits will be issued from the St. Charles Field Office. Permits will be issued by a pre-registered drawing. To apply, hunters must mail a 4" x 6" card (not a piece of paper) to the St. Charles Field Office with the following information on one side of the card: Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Date of Birth, Phone Number, Driver's License Number or Sportcard Number and state it is for the "Youth Hunt". Youths 12-16 years of age are eligible to apply and take one deer during this special two-day season. Youths 12 and 13 are restricted to archery-only hunting. Youths must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older. An adult accompanying a youth cannot possess or carry a firearm or bow and does not need a deer hunting license. Adults do not need to fill out an application with the youth. Hunter orange must be worn by all. **Deadline to apply for the youth hunt is August 24, 2006**. Successful youths will be notified by September 1, 2006. Youth may also apply for pre-registered hunt during regular deer hunts.

LOCAL ARCHERY HUNTS

NOTE: You may also obtain a permit for and hunt during any local archery periods, in addition to the pre-registered hunt for which you may have been selected. There are no local Archery drawings for the Shiawassee River State Game Area. You can pick up unlimited permits for two (2) hunt periods: October 1-22, December 18 -January 1. Hunters may obtain these permits from the St. Charles Field Office in person (please call ahead for seasonal office hours) or by mail (include name, driver's license or sportcard number, date of birth, address and hunt period selection from periods listed below). If requesting them by mail, you may mail for it at any time. We will send you the permit on the first day of the pick up date below. Telephone permit requests will not be accepted.

Archers may hunt the entire game area, except state wildlife refuge (refer to state game area map).

Permits may be picked up as follows:

FOR HUNT PERIOD PICK UP PERMITS ON THESE DATES

October 1 - 22 September 20 - October 22 December 18 - January 1 December 11 - December 29

GENERAL INFORMATION

SCOUTING: January 2 – September 30, 2006 only

FEES: \$13.00 for Waterfowl Area Use Annual (code 138) or \$4.00 for Waterfowl Area Use Daily (code 137) is

required for all deer hunts, in addition to a deer hunting license.

FIREARMS: Same as statewide regulations except the possession and use of buckshot is prohibited on Shiawassee River

State Game Area.

PERMITS: You must carry your issued permit with you during your hunt period.

PERMIT RETURNS: Permits must be returned within 48 hours after last day of hunt period. Failure to return permits on time will

result in ineligibility for future permits. Deer hunters having any outstanding permits for any of the 2005 hunts

will not be issued any deer permits in 2006.

TREE STANDS: Must be portable and can be placed on the **first day** of your hunt period and can remain until the last day of

your hunt period. Stands must have name and address on them, which can be seen from the ground.

DEER CHECK: Hunters are encouraged to bring deer to a DNR check station to assist in our collection of bio-data and TB

head testing, to improve our deer management program.

BAITING: No baiting is allowed on the Shiawassee River State Game Area.

BUTTON BUCKS: Hunters are encouraged to carefully look at antierless deer before shooting to minimize the chance of

harvesting a button buck or young male. Allowing button bucks to survive will increase the buck to doe sex

ratio on this area.

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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